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Hongkong, December 1, 1883.

To-day's Advertisements.

Chinese Imperial Government Eight Per Cent. Loan of 1881.

SECOND DRAWING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following numbers of Bonds to be paid off at Par, at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, in Hongkong, on the 24th day of May, 1884, when the Interest thereon will cease to be payable, were this day Drawn at the Office of the said Corporation in Hongkong, in the presence of Mr. GEORGE ROBERT JOHNSON, Chief Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary.

NUMBERS OF BONDS DRAWN.

1096 Bonds Nos. 1--									
7	884	1704	2044	3322	4403	5282	6163	7042	7921
15	889	1709	2053	3332	4409	5291	6172	7052	7931
24	903	1731	2064	3338	4420	5299	6182	7059	7940
28	908	1738	2066	3351	4429	5312	6189	7067	7946
30	917	1706	2075	3355	4434	5315	6197	7076	7955
47	926	1808	2083	3367	4443	5325	6205	7084	7963
54	933	1811	2083	3373	4454	5331	6213	7092	7973
64	939	1819	2102	3379	4461	5342	6223	7101	7980
69	948	1829	2110	3388	4469	5350	6229	7108	7987
76	957	1833	2115	3390	4476	5353	6237	7114	7993
86	966	1841	2126	3393	4483	5354	6246	7126	8000
95	971	1849	2133	3410	4495	5371	6252	7133	8013
101	980	1860	2138	3420	4500	5379	6262	7137	8021
112	989	1866	2149	3428	4507	5387	6269	7148	8029
118	997	1875	2157	3435	4518	5393	6275	7155	8036
124	1002	1880	2163	3443	4524	5403	6283	7163	8046
132	1013	1890	2170	3450	4531	5413	6293	7172	8052
140	1021	1899	2181	3458	4542	5429	6300	7181	8062
149	1030	1906	2188	3469	4549	5429	6308	7188	8069
157	1040	1916	2196	3476	4556	5435	6316	7195	8076
165	1047	1923	2205	3482	4564	5443	6324	7204	8086
171	1054	1932	2214	3492	4573	5452	6333	7209	8095
181	1064	1938	2219	3500	4589	5459	6342	7219	8102
189	1069	1946	2227	3506	4588	5467	6348	7232	8110
193	1074	1957	2235	3517	4597	5479	6359	7237	8117
201	1087	1961	2244	3528	4605	5485	6367	7243	8125
211	1093	1971	2250	3533	4609	5492	6372	7254	8136
218	1099	1979	2258	3541	4619	5500	6377	7259	8139
231	1109	1987	2271	3547	4628	5507	6381	7268	8149
233	1116	1993	2275	3555	4638	5515	6384	7270	8150
245	1126	2001	2282	3562	4646	5525	6407	7282	8161
255	1134	2010	2294	3570	4653	5533	6413	7292	8173
261	1142	2018	2298	3578	4660	5539	6420	7300	8181
268	1149	2026	2308	3586	4670	5546	6431	7307	8189
277	1156	2033	2317	3599	4678	5554	6435	7314	8197
284	1165	2043	2325	3592	4686	5564	6444	7327	8204
292	1179	2054	2333	3603	4694	5573	6450	7332	8215
299	1180	2058	2342	3613	4703	5581	6461	7340	8220
306	1188	2066	2345	3627	4709	5585	6468	7348	8231
318	1197	2078	2354	3633	4719	5593	6473	7354	8237
328	1206	2087	2363	3643	4724	5592	6473	7354	8245
335	1209	2096	2374	3651	4733	5612	6490	7371	8252
341	1219	2102	2380	3659	4743	5624	6498	7379	8262
347	1229	2109	2389	3669	4750	5625	6506	7387	8269
357	1240	2120	2396	3676	4756	5639	6514	7399	8276
368	1247	2125	2404	3684	4765	5644	6525	7404	8281
378	1251	2136	2410	3693	4774	5654	6536	7410	8293
379	1261	2140	2422	3698	4784	5659	6537	7421	8299
385	1271	2148	2428	3712	4786	5665	6548	7429	8309
396	1277	2158	2437	3716	4797	5677	6557	7437	8316
406	1285	2165	2446	3726	4803	5683	6564	7442	8324
415	1291	2169	2453	3729	4812	5691	6572	7452	8333
419	1300	2179	2461	3743	4819	5700	6579	7461	8341
425	1312	2186	2470	3748	4830	5708	6587	7467	8351
433	1317	2198	2477	3757	4836	5714	6594	7475	8357
445	1322	2204	2486	3763	4843	5724	6607	7483	8364
459	1331	2211	2495	3771	4852	5731	6612	7491	8371
464	1341	2219	2504	3780	4861	5741	6620	7500	8378
470	1350	2227	2510	3786	4872	5750	6628	7508	8389
477	1358	2235	2519	3797	4873	5757	6633	7515	8397
489	1368	2241	2524	3806	4884	5763	6645	7525	8405
491	1374	2251	2535	3815	4891	5773	6652	7536	8413
500	1378	2259	2544	3821	4899	5780	6659	7538	8419
503	1389	2268	2549	3829	4906	5791	6667	7546	8431
515	1390	2274	2559	3838	4917	5796	6676	7554	8438
523	1406	2284	2568	3847	4927	5805	6683	7565	8443
534	1414	2293	2577	3854	4930	5811	6689	7571	8451
538	1421	2300	2584	3863	4941	5817	6700	7581	8458
543	1430	2305	2590	3872	4947	5822	6707	7589	8467
559	1439	2320	2605	3879	4955	5839	6715	7594	8479
562	1447	2324	2604	3888	4963	5843	6723	7605	8484
569	1453	2332	2614	4091	4971	5854	6735	7612	8493
577	1459	2339	2621	4101	4979	5861	6739	7618	85
590	1470	2350	2629	4100	4987	5871	6747	7627	85
598	1478	2353	2636	4116	4994	5877	6756	7635	85
604	1487	2363	2645	4122	5004	5884	6763	7643	85
613	1493	2371	2651	4132	5015	5889	6770	7651	85
623	1499	2383	2659	4142	5022	5900	6778	7660	85
632	1508	2388	2671	4146	5027	5908	6786	7667	85
640	1518	2395	2677	4160	5035	5917	6796	7675	85
642	1523	2405	2684	4163	5043	5926	6804	7683	85
653	1533	2415	2691	4170	5050	5934	6810	7691	85
661	1540	2421	2699	4184	5057	5941	6821	7700	85
678	1548	2430	2708	4190	5070	5945	6830	7707	85
687	1559	2439	2714	4199	5075	5956	6837	7716	85
685	1567	2447	2724	4203	5086	5956	6844	7724	86
693	1572	2455	2731	4214	5092	5974	6853	7731	86
700	1581	2462	2740	4220	5098	5981	6864	7744	86
712	1589	2472	2747	4225	5107	5992	6867	7747	86
720	1594	2474	2754	4236	5120	5998	6875	7755	86
725	1603	2483	2764	4244	5123	6006	6883	7763	86
733	1612	2490	2770	4254	5130	6009	6891	7775	86
743	1619	2500	2784	4262	5140	6019	6899	7776	86
748	1627	2509	2791	4270	5148	6028	6908	7786	86
756	1635	2513	2794	4276	5154	6037	6914	7794	86
767	1643	2524	2804	4283	5162	6042	6922	7807	86
774	1652	2530	2810	4289	5171	6049	6939	7813	86
780	1658	2539	2817	4300	5182	6062	6939	7818	87
792	1666	2549	2826	4309	5189	6069	6947	7828	87
795	1676	2557	2834	4314	5193	6075	6954	7837	87
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812	1691	2577	2851	4331	5213	6095	6970	7855	87
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825	1707	2586	2870	4351	5227	6109	6988	7873	87
839	1715	2596	2876	4354	5233	6115	6998	7880	87
842	1725	2603	2885	4363	5243	6123	7004	7884	87
855	1735	2613	2892	4372	5251	6131	7010	7891	87
863	1740	2617	2899	4381	5263	6142	7020	7900	87
865	1745	2625	2910	4390	5266	6151	7023	7910	87
876	1753	2638	2915	4397	5270	6160	7036	7914	87

political offences, nor because they were active members of the Triad Society; they were wanted for murder, and robbery committed during the disturbances in the Wei-chau department, but these disturbances were not of a political character, being, in fact, only raids by robbers for the sake of plunder. The evidence adduced to support this position forms most remarkable and interesting narratives. We will pass over some evidence as to robberies from shops alleged to have been committed by the prisoners and a large body of armed followers, to come to the circumstances of the alleged murders. Strange to say, these were committed during an attack upon a camp of several hundreds of Chinese soldiers, no less than a hundred of these "braves" being killed during the fighting. A lieutenant of the Chinese army described in the Court the particular "murders" alleged against the prisoners. It was during the attack upon the camp, in which witness said there were at the time 300 soldiers:—

Witness was at the door of his tent when the prisoners and their men came up and he saw the first prisoner fire two shots and kill Tang Su Shien, an officer of the Chinese army. Second prisoner also fired and killed Li Kun Shun, a captain. Prisoners' men also captured and took away a lieutenant named Chiu Alwai and he had heard that this officer had been cut to pieces.

In reply to the Court witness said that the general had sent him to Wei-chau with orders to catch any robbers there. He believed prisoners attacked the camp to rob them of their money and other things. Witness did not see the prisoners, when they saw the men were being killed they all ran away. Some more soldiers were afterwards sent with Fong So, a general. Over 100 of witness's men were killed. He believed there were a few hundred men with prisoners.

A camp containing at least three hundred soldiers is assuredly the last place in the world a body of robbers would think of attacking for plunder. The credibility of this account of the attack and his fellow witnesses is also not improved by the fact that they were, or nearly all of them did, that they had never heard of the Triad Society. We have been under the impression there is not an intelligent Chinaman in Southern China who is ignorant of the existence of this most powerful organization, which is hostile to the present dynasty, and we do not feel the least inclined to alter this belief on the evidence of such witnesses as those arrayed against the prisoners in this case.

The only defence attempted by the prisoners was an effort to prove that they were in Hongkong at the time of the occurrences. There is nothing to show that they even knew they could not be surrendered for a political offence, or for being active members of the Triad Society. Probably they do not even know it at the present moment. The two nobles lawyers who worked up the case against these miserable wretches with all the legal ability of which they are capable, or that the dollars of the Chinese Government could induce them to exhibit, pursued their sweet way without opposition, and they may succeed in getting the prisoners handed over to torture and almost certain death. We do not, however, think that this will be the result of the proceedings. The prisoners have a strong case even on the evidence for the prosecution. There is also a great deal that has advanced in their favour that did not come before the Court at all.

As we have previously observed, the disturbances during which these officers and soldiers were killed, were referred to at the time in Hongkong as the Wei-chau rebellion. We published in this paper day after day accounts of the movements of the rebels. It was reported that they were many thousands strong, and that they had fought some severe engagements with the Imperial troops. The origin of the trouble was not positively known to Europeans, but it was reported that it arose out of the exactions and insolence of some tax-gatherers, and encouraged and aided by the Triad Society, it spread, in the same way as did the memorable rising in England headed by Wat Tyler and Jack Straw. One of the accounts of these disturbances was published from the pen of a European of unimpeachable character and reputation who had travelled in the neighbourhood of the district where the disturbances occurred at the time they were in progress. We also published the following:—

A European who has returned to-day to Hongkong from the neighbourhood of the rebellious disturbances in Wei-chau informs us that the reports which have been received here of the native sources of the suppression of the rebellion are not correct. Sunday, he states, there was severe engagement between the Imperial force and the rebels near Pak Mong Pa, and the troops were defeated by the country people with a loss of 200 men. The mandarin commanding, Tung On Pong, was also wounded. It was further stated that the chief position of the rebels had not yet been attacked. Three thousand soldiers were brought from Canton prior to this engagement to fight the rebels, but the Haida portion of that "Berserk," and the attack was made only by the soldiers from Fun-nam. The rebels are said to number over 10,000, and the Triad Society is said to be helping them in every way.

The gravity of the rising, and its importance as a political movement, are also shown by the considerable preparations made to suppress it. Not only were troops hurried to the neighbourhood by thousands, but gunboats and a very large number of iron junks were sent to operate by sea with the land force engaged in suppressing the rebellion. The situation was, in fact, at one time considered so serious, that the commandant at Kowloon city materially increased the defence of that place with the object of repelling any rebel attack upon it.

If the two prisoners were engaged in the disturbances at all they were engaged in it by legitimate rebellion as was that of Wat Tyler, the Compagnie in Paris, or that of the rebels at present disturbing the peace of Spain. God knows that the bulk of the poor wretches struggling for existence on the mainland under this government, and corruption have enough to rebel

against; the Wei-chau rebels did no such fiendish acts as did the Communists in Paris; and their rising had a better reason d'être than more political intrigues for place and power, which is the ruling cause of rebellions at the present day in Spain. Yet England protects both Paris Communists and Spanish rebels. Surely she will not do less for a couple of Chinese refugees, when their condition is applied for by a Government which enforces confessions of guilt by torture, and is estranged from both justice and mercy.

TELEGRAMS.

AFFAIRS IN THE SUDAN.

LONDON, 22nd May, 1884. The *Pall Mall Gazette* publishes a paragraph stating that an expedition of 10,000 men will proceed to the relief of General Gordon in the autumn, unless he makes his escape in the meantime, and that General Wolseley will take command on the route between Suakin and Berber.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.
PASSENGER CANALS.—*Archieves*, April 25; *Gleaner*, May 1; *Tenney*, and *Sagittarius*, May 6.

The next American Mail, for the U. & O. steamer *Archieves*, left Yokohama on Wednesday, the 21st May, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 27th instant.

The S.S. *Java* left Singapore for this port on the 18th instant.

The S.S. *Dugan*, from Hamburg and Antwerp, passed Singapore bound for this port on the 18th instant.

DOCK MOVEMENTS.
The *Catalina* went to Kowloon Dock to-day.

ORDER OF SERVICE AT UNION CHURCH.—SUNDAY, MAY 25TH.

Hymns: 443, 369, 103, 497. Tunes: *Yugo* 197, 106, 49, 216; Psalm: 85.

The French corvette *Adour*, from Brest, after repairing her engines at Gibraltar, sailed on the 17th April for Toulon and Tonquin.

The French transport *Vinh-Long*, which broke down near Colombo when coming out from Toulon with the three Generals on board, has had the defects made good at Saigon, and arrived at Singapore on the 15th May with 338 passengers for Toulon.

We are requested to state that Lady Bowen will have a Garden Party at Mountain Lodge (until further notice) every Monday from 4 to 7 p.m.; and that the invitations issued for the Garden Parties on Thursdays at Government House will hold good for the parties on Mondays at Mountain Lodge.

Five cases of carrying snatching were before the magistrates at the Police Court this morning, some of which had been remanded from Monday last. In one case the evidence was not considered conclusive and the defendant was discharged, but in the other cases the prisoners were convicted and were sentenced by the two magistrates to two years imprisonment with hard labour, in three instances, and eighteen months in the other.

The port of Suakin, which has come into so much prominence of late, is, in the opinion of Consul Jago, likely to become the chief commercial port of the Red Sea, by reason of the magnitude and value of its imports and exports, capable as they are of immense extension. The Consul reports that the trade of Suakin, upon which Suakin is formerly depended, has been driven into other channels by quarantine regulations, the partial suppression of the slave trade, and other causes and Suakin, having cut herself free with the resources of the rich port of Suakin, already, outside Jeddah. The importance of Suakin is therefore being paramount at Suakin is therefore apparent.

This report and balance-sheet of the Hammond Electric Light Company will be a surprise to most people. The Hammond has been incorporating other concerns right and left, indeed it quite recently made a serious proposal to swallow up the gigantic Metropolitan Electric Company, since in liquidation. Now the directors announce their intention to cut the 25 shares down to 21, 10s., and to issue new capital. The position of the company after reorganization, is, however, very discouraging, seeing that against a net income of £20,000, there are stocks paid, sundry debentures, cash and calls on shares to meet it. The cash amounts to £24,000 and calls on shares £14,274. A drawback to the company is the fact that £32,000 has been expended during the year to earn a gross profit of £2,733.

If the doctors sometimes make us uncomfortable, they can also cheer us up occasionally. If they frequently sadden us by telling us that there is death and disease in the pot, the tea-kettle, the beer-bottle, and the cigar case, and that most of the things we eat, drink, wear, or do are unhealthy, they console us by showing us that the human organism is often surprised. Ever, of course, is often surprised.

For the popular belief that a man is as well as he believes himself to be. Dr. Granville's belief that he is very ill and likely to die. Even the patient who has an incurable disease, says the doctor rather paradoxically, may live just as long as anybody else. Only let him hope. Many things are done by hope to the world with. Let a sufferer only firmly make up his mind that he is going to get well, and in many cases his confidence will be justified, and he may throw physics to the dogs. We do not quite grasp the scientific reason for this; but it is a medical man would always talk like this. He would say we should be to them.—*Pall Mall Gazette*.

LONDON, May 5.—Obituary.—Lord Raglan. MAURAS, April 9.—A special telegram to the *Times* of India, dated London, Monday, says The *Times* states that it is expected that Mr Wilson of Messrs Quilens has been appointed liquidator of the Oriental Bank. The other exchange banks are so far unaffected by the failure.

The present black evening coat, it is often objected by those who value outward social distinctions, fails to make any difference between the waiter and the peer. At the same time its uniformity acts as a very useful summary law; and it is doubtful, though fashions come from France, whether the Duc de Morny will be able to effect a revolution in this respect. "Disasters" with the present coat, the Duc de Morny has lately appeared in a puce-coloured coat, and certain of his admirers have certainly improved on it with a claret-coloured shade.—*Pall Mall Gazette*.

A vivacious French writer has recently attempted to compile the whole duty of woman according to the French Mrs. Grundy, who is quite as strict and distinct in her rules as her English prototype. In her latest volume, she demands that morning toilet for going to church, visiting her children, and her shopping should be dark, with a rather thick veil. These exhortations must be made in a carriage without a footman. For a morning walk she may wear a cloth costume without a veil, in order to make the feet dry, but she must, if possible, be followed by a footman. For breakfast, if she has been out before, she must change her dress to appear at table. On her reception day she must wear a costume of very great elegance, but in order to make the feet dry, but she must, if possible, be followed by a footman. For breakfast, if she has been out before, she must change her dress to appear at table. On her reception day she must wear a costume of very great elegance, but in order to make the feet dry, but she must, if possible, be followed by a footman.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

'BE YE TEMPERATE IN ALL THINGS.'

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

SIR,—The advice which I am writing to

I earnestly commend to the notice of the

Visiting Deputy of the T. O. G. T. and

the other members of that great and glorious

fraternity who have, I am afraid, brought

upon the order a certain amount of shame

by their utterances in the columns of the

local papers during the past few days. I

will charitably suppose they wrote their

letters hastily, and without giving much

care to the subject. They have

certainly not displayed that charitable dis-

position which we should show to our fellow

men in general, and much less have they

shown that brotherly forbearance and soli-

citude for one another's feelings which, as I

understand, are specially enjoined on all

those who become members of the Order.

Intemperance in speech is displayed by every

correspondent; and it seems very much as

if their total abstinence from one sin had

rendered them totally oblivious to the pre-

sence of other sins equally baneful in their

results than that from which they abstain.

Instead of an attempt being made to have

each branch which may have existed, that

branch has been widened, and it will now

be much more difficult to be healed than if

it had been left as it was. In which all

the correspondents have assisted. I will

conclude this hasty offering by offering a

word of comfort to the young lads whose

legitimate existence has just been so com-

plimentarily questioned; and the members of

the new order, who are asked that they

sympathize with the Order, which is wholly

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NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.
STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA,
PORT SAID, SYRIAN PORTS,
NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

BOMBAY.

ON THURSDAY, the 29th May, 1884, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *DIEMER*, Commandant de Bousville, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Species will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon of 28th May, 1884.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 28th May, 1884. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

I. MARTIN,
Agent.

Hongkong, May 17, 1884. 829

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE S. S. *SAN PABLO* will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on FRIDAY, the 30th Instant, at 3 p.m. To be followed by the S. S. *ALABIC*, on the 6th June.

Connection being made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan ports.

Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, and sent to be received at the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

RETURN PASSENGERS.—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20% from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10% will be made from Return Fare. Pro-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a discount of 25% from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland, Mexican, Central and South American Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Office addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.

Hongkong, May 6, 1884. 776

Insurance.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL.—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1887. 100

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to insure against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Risks on First Class Goods up to £1000 on a Single Life.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 19, 1881. 938

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

CATALINA, British barque, Captain Williams—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

G. T. Hook, British steamer, Captain W. Jarvis—T. Howard & Co.

MANILA, British barque, Captain A. McPherson—Russell & Co.

MELBORN, American ship, Captain S. P. Bates—Russell & Co.

NAVYLINE, American barque, Capt. A. B. Walsh—Russell & Co.

NIOGVA, British barque, Captain James Foster—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

ORION, Austro-Hungarian steamer, Capt. G. Mahorich—Melchers & Co.

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Hongkong Rates of Postage.

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

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Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though Written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied notes, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

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Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Australasian Group, and S. Africa.

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General Rates, by any route:
Letters, 10 cents per ½ oz.
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